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1. FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE ECONOMIC POLICY COMMITTEE'S WORKING PARTY 2 MEETING, JUNE 28-29. DETAILS ARE BEING REPORTED BY AIRGRAM.

2. AT ITS MEETING OF JUNE 28-29, 1973, WORKING PARTY 2 OF THE ECONOMIC POLICY COMMITTEE DISCUSSED: (1) THE ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS OF POLLUTION CONTROL AND ITS BURDEN ON THE PRIVATE SECTOR (REF DOCS 1 AND 2), AND (2) NORWAY AS A CASE STUDY OF THE LONG-TERM POLICY PROBLEMS RELATED TO A GROWING SHARE OF THE PUBLIC SECTOR IN THE ECONOMY (REF DOCS 5 AND 6). IT AGREED ON A WORK PROGRAM FOR 1974, THE NEXT MEETING TO TAKE PLACE MOST LIKELY IN JANUARY 1974. IT ALSO AGREED THAT THE SECRETARIAT SHOULD IN LIGHT OF THE WP DISCUSSION REVISE THE POLLUTION PAPERS

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(REF DOCS 1 AND 2), PREPARE A SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

TO THESE PAPERS, AND SUBMIT THE SET TO THE EPC FOR CONSIDERATION AT ITS MEETING IN NOVEMBER. MEMBERS WERE REQUESTED TO SUBMIT ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE TWO POLLUTION PAPERS TO THE SECRETARIAT BY AUGUST 3. A DRAFT SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION PAPER WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE MEMBERS IN EARLY SEPTEMBER FOR COMMENT BY THE END OF THAT MONTH. THE WP NOTED FOR INFORMATION ONLY THE PROGRESS REPORT BY THE AD HOC EXPERT GROUP ON CLASSIFICATION (REF DOC 4) AND THE SECRETARIAT PRE-LIMINARY STUDY ON PURPOSES OF PUBLIC SPENDING (REF DOC 3) .THE SECRETARIAT AGREED TO DISTRIBUTE TO THE MEMBERS A SUMMARY OF THE WP MEETING, INCLUDING THE FUTURE WORK PROGRAM. THIS WAS THE LAST WP-2 MEETING OF E. ERICHSEN (NORWAY), WHO HAS CHAIRED THE COMMITTEE SINCE ITS BEGINNING IN 1961.BROWN

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